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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, August 26, 1999

JOINT PETITION OF

MEDIA GENERAL, INC.,

CASE NO. PUA990042

AND

COX COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

For prior approval of acquisition and disposition  
of control pursuant to Chapter 5, Title 56 of the  
Code of Virginia

**ORDER GRANTING APPROVAL**

On July 20, 1999, Media General, Inc., and Cox Communications, Inc. (“Cox Communications”), (collectively, “Petitioners”) filed a joint petition with the Commission under the Utility Transfers Act requesting prior approval of the proposed acquisition and disposition of control of a telephone company. As requested in the joint petition, Cox Communications proposes to acquire from Media General, Inc., all of the issued and outstanding shares of stock of Media General Telecommunications, Inc. (“Media General Telecommunications”). Cox Communications will become the sole shareholder of Media General Telecommunications.

As described in the joint petition, Media General Telecommunications is a Virginia public service company and a wholly owned subsidiary of Media General, Inc., a Virginia corporation. Media General Telecommunications is a certificated local exchange and interexchange carrier in Virginia. Cox Communications is a Delaware corporation whose wholly

owned subsidiary, Cox Virginia Telecom, Inc., a Virginia public service corporation, is also a certificated local exchange carrier and interexchange carrier in Virginia.

In the joint petition, Petitioners state that Media General Telecommunications currently owns no facilities and has not begun operations. Media General Telecommunications has not yet submitted tariffs for Staff approval.

THE COMMISSION, upon consideration of the joint petition and representations of Petitioners and having been advised by its Staff, is of the opinion and finds that the above-described acquisition and disposition of control of Media General Telecommunications will neither impair nor jeopardize the provision of adequate service to the public at just and reasonable rates and should, therefore, be approved. Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- 1) Pursuant to §§ 56-88.1 and 56-90 of the Code of Virginia, Petitioners are hereby granted approval of the proposed transfer of control of Media General Telecommunications from Media General, Inc., to Cox Communications as described herein.
- 2) There appearing nothing further to be done in this matter, it is hereby dismissed.